## PATENT APPLICATION

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

SARANI et al

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For: A DEVICE FOR AUTOMATICALLY PRODUCING AN OPENING OR CAVITY IN THE SIDE OF A CERAMIC PRODUCT DURING MOLDING IN A MOULD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

November 9, 2001

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fees and initial examination of the application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## **IN THE CLAIMS**:

Please amend claims 5-7, 9, 14, 17, 21-23, 28, 30-31, 33, 43, 45-46, and 50 as follows. A copy of the marked up original claims is attached to this response showing the changes as set forth in amended 37 CFR 1.121.

- 5. (Amended) The device according to claim 2, wherein the fluid substance is gaseous.
- 6. (Amended) The device according to claim 2, wherein the fluid substance is a liquid.

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